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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A warning sign, having a vertically elongated housing mounted onto shelving with the housing extending a short distance laterally and perpendicularly from the face of the shelving, the housing preferably having advertising or other indicia positioned on opposing face members and a pocket which receives a pivoting warning arm, where the warning arm is hidden within the pocket in the vertical position but can be pivoted into an exposed horizontal position to extend laterally from the shelving to warn customers of hazardous conditions in the aisle. The sign is mounted with a hinged bracket having a non-vertical pivot axis, such that the sign will automatically resume a neutral position perpendicular to the shelving if it is pushed or pulled to either side.

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